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AMENDMENT

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S I R:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed March 26, 2003 and the outstanding Final Rejection in the above application, and further to the telephone interview of April 24, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

A marked up version of amended claim 54 is provided herewith in **Attachment A**. A clean version of claim 54 is provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

REMARKS

Claims 54-59 are pending in the present application. By this Amendment, Applicants have amended claim 54 in such a manner as previously suggested by the Examiner to overcome prior objections. Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance for the reasons as set forth below.

As an initial matter, in the Advisory Action, the Examiner alleged that prior claim 54 included sequences directed to a non-elected invention. Without addressing the

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